

# FIELD GOLD 21™



## User Manual

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## About This Manual

This manual describes the basic procedures to deal and play the FIELD GOLD 21™ Blackjack table game and assumes dealers are familiar with standard Blackjack rules.

This manual is intended for casino operators and employees, regulatory agencies, and independent governing bodies. The operating establishment may require management personnel to perform some of the dealer procedures in this manual. Operator policy and internal control procedures for processing and paying jackpots take precedence over the procedures in this manual.

Mikohn recommendations, such as hand motions, are to ensure clarity in game play and betting requirements. However, management **may alter** the procedures to suit in-house policies.

## Establishing Limits on Bets and Aggregate Payouts

Casino management may choose to adhere to the following:

- Define and post separate **minimum and maximum wagering limits** for both the base game and side bet.
- Define and post (for side bet wagers only) an **aggregate limit for payouts** (maximum allowed total payout to winning players wagering on the side bet, during a single round of play). Posting an aggregate limit protects your establishment from excessive liability in any one round of play, while allowing the player a wider range of betting options, subject to posted aggregate limits.

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## Recommended Game Procedures

### Terms

The following terms are used in this manual:

- **Shuffle:** to mix cards in one or more decks together, either by hand or using a mechanical device.
- **Deal:** any method of delivering cards (such as by hand or via a mechanical device).

### Overview

FIELD GOLD 21 is a side-bet variation to the traditional game of Blackjack, played with 1, 2, 4, 6, or 8 decks of cards (52 cards/no joker). The game is traditional Blackjack, played on a standard Blackjack table fitted with a custom Mikohn FIELD GOLD 21 “side-bet” layout. Players must wager on the base game before being allowed to place a side bet wager (FIELD GOLD 21), since the initial two cards of each hand determine the side bet payouts.

One player is associated with each betting position, unless casino management elects to allow back-play/betting. Each position is comprised of two bets: a base game betting spot and a smaller side bet circle/spot, located above and to the right (10’clock position) of the base betting spot.

The side bet is either a fixed amount or a dollar range, such as \$1 to \$25, and is set by each casino operator, who may also elect to post “aggregate” per round limitations. See “Establishing Limits on Bets and Aggregate Payouts” on page 1 for more information.

The side bet is paid, as per the posted payable, only when the total of the first two cards dealt to a betting position equals any number associated with a “Field bet”: 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, or 12 on a dice table (hence the name, FIELD GOLD 21). The Dealer collects the side bet wagers for all other two-card combinations (dealt to betting positions) that are not associated with “Field numbers” before traditional Blackjack play continues.

## Game Procedure Steps

### Step 1: Wagers Placed

The Dealer announces, “Place your bets,” signifying to all Players the beginning of a new round of play.

Players are invited to place a wager in the base game betting spot (mandatory wager) and optional side bet spot. Both wagers must be within the posted table minimum/maximum limits.

The Dealer makes a sweeping hand motion from left to right, and announces, “No more bets.”

Both bets must be made before any cards are dealt.

**Step 2: Players' Hands Dealt**

The Dealer shuffles and deals, by hand or via an automatic shuffling machine, two cards (preferably face-up) initially to each Player in front of the Player's betting position (in accordance with in-house rules of play).

**Step 3: Dealer's Hand Dealt**

Dealing him- or herself two cards according to house procedures, the Dealer proceeds, as per traditional Blackjack rules.

**Step 4: Dealer Addresses Each Player's Hand**

Starting from the Dealer's right, subject to in-house procedures, the Dealer proceeds in a counterclockwise manner, addressing each Player's hand as follows:

- If the Player did not make a side bet wager, the Dealer addresses the hand, subject to in-house procedures.
- If the Player made a side bet wager:
  - and the Player's first two cards **do not qualify** as per the FIELD GOLD 21 payable, the Dealer collects the side bet wager and await the Player's hand signals or option to hit, stand, double-down or split. The Dealer then finishes addressing that hand, before moving on to the next betting position.
  - and the Player's first two cards **do qualify** as per the FIELD GOLD 21 payable, the Dealer pays the side bet wager, as per the payable, and then addresses the Player's base hand and offers the Player the option to hit, stand, double-down or split.



It is recommended that when the side bet wager is paid, the Dealer should move both the wager and payout back toward the Player and away from the base and side bet area.

**Step 5: Dealer Shows Hand and Settles Players' Hands**

If the Dealer **has** Blackjack, if applicable, the Dealer pays out any insurance or announces, "even-money," subject to in-house procedures.

If the Dealer **does not have** Blackjack, the Dealer addresses each hand in order, subject to in-house procedures. If the Player was dealt a Blackjack, the Dealer pays the Blackjack, subject to in-house procedures, before moving on to the next Player.



Step 5 is only a "suggested sequence" of "take and pay." Each casino should tailor step 5 to its in-house rules of play and dealing procedures.

### Side Bet Paytable

Each casino may or may not elect to post “aggregate” per round limitations. See “Establishing Limits on Bets and Aggregate Payouts” on page 1 for more information.

If the Player's first two cards are:	Player is paid (side bet only):
Ace & Jack, Suited	25 To 1
Two Aces	10 To 2
3 or 4	3 To 1
9 or 10	2 To 1
11 or 12	1 To 1
Any BlackJack	3 To 2



Management may want to set a policy that a Dealer must notify a supervisor of a Player's side bet wager of a certain amount and/or any side bet wager which may result in a payout of a certain amount. Such examples would be “Green action on the side bet” or “paying \$625 (25 to 1 on a \$25 side bet) on a suited Ace & Jack,” each of which would be subject to a casino's internal policies.

### Summary

- Before dealing the initial first two cards to each player, the Dealer makes a sweeping motion to indicate that no more wagers (including side bets) will be accepted.
- After all Player receives their initial two cards, the Dealer **collects all side bets where no winning two-card combinations have been dealt.**
- As the Dealer addresses each Player's hand, the Dealer first pays any winning side bet wager and moves the payout back toward the Player before asking if the Player would like to hit, stand, double-down or split.
- After addressing and settling (take, pay, or push) each Player's hand, the Dealer collects and return all cards to the discard rack, concluding that round of play.
- The Dealer announces “Place your bets” while making a left-to-right sweeping motion with one hand to give visual notice to supervision and surveillance that base game and side bet wagering is open for the next round of play.



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